COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL

(1) DEPARTMENT Public Works	(2) MEETING DATE 8/27/2013	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Paavo Ogren, Director of Public Works (805) 781-5252			
	Kami Griffin, Acting Director			, ,	
(4) SUBJECT (1) Receive a Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Management Plan implementation update, (2) request to approve appointments to the Blue Ribbon Committee, (3) request to approve release of Request for Qualifications to prepare feasibility studies; and (4) hearing to consider Urgency Ordinances pursuant to Sections 25123, 25131 and 65858 of the California Government Code that would (a) establish a moratorium on new or expanded irrigated crop production and new development dependent upon a well unless such uses offset their total projected water use, (b) establish certain exemptions, (c) require the installation of a meter on new wells and/or (d) establish a moratorium on approval of new ponds, reservoirs and dams other than those allowed by Section 22.52.070.C.2.b of Title 22 of the County Code, for properties located within the unincorporated areas of San Luis Obispo County of the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin except those properties within the Atascadero Sub-Basin. Districts 1 and 5.					
 (5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is our recommendation that your Honorable Board: 1. Acting as the Board of Supervisor of the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (Flood Control District) and the Board of Supervisors for County consider the information and recommendations contained in Attachment 1. 2. Acting as the Board of Supervisors of the County hold a public hearing and consider the Urgency Ordinance contained in Attachment 2. 					
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) N/A	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT N/A	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT N/A		(9) BUDGETED? N/A	
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT { } Consent { } Presentation {X} Hearing (Time Est. 240 min.) { } Board Business (Time Est)					
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS { } Contracts { } Ordinances {X} N/A					
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A			(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: N/A { } 4/5th's Vote Required {X} N/A		
(14) LOCATION MAP (15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT?			(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY		
` '	No		{ } N/A Date: 8/6/13; #27		
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW					
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) District 1 - District 5 -					

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County of San Luis Obispo

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Paavo Ogren, Director of Public Works

Kami Griffin, Acting Director of Planning and Building

DATE: 8/27/2013

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RECOMMENDATION

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DISCUSSION

On May 7, 2013, your Board provided direction to the Public Works Department to return on August 27, 2013 to report out on nine specific recommendations. Attachment 1 is the report from the Public Works Department on these items.

On August 6, 2013, your Board provided direction to the Planning Department to prepare two Urgency Ordinances to address reducing demand on the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin while permanent solutions are being developed. Attachment 2 is the report from the Planning Department on the Urgency Ordinances. Because the two Urgency Ordinances will rely upon the information submitted by the Public Works Department as described above and in Attachment 1, all of these actions are being presented for consideration together.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT

See staff reports in Attachments 1 and 2



FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

See staff reports in Attachments 1 and 2

RESULTS

See staff reports in Attachments 1 and 2.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – Staff Report from the Public Works Department regarding an implementation update on the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Management Plan, appointments to the Blue Ribbon Committee and release of Requests for Qualifications for feasibility studies.

Attachment 1A - Vicinity Map

Attachment 1B - May 7, 2013 Approved Recommendations

Attachment 1C - Conditions to Waive Permit Fees

Attachment 1D - Grant and/or Low Interest Loan Emergency Assistance

Attachment 1E - Federal Programs

Attachment 1F - Emergency Water Sources

Attachment 1G - Basin Conditions

Attachment 1H - Governance Options Summary

Attachment 1I - Nacimiento Water Project Effect on Basin

Attachment 1J - Proposed Requests for Qualifications

Attachment 1K - Blue Ribbon Committee Membership

Attachment 2 – Staff Report from the Department of Planning and Building regarding the hearing to consider an Urgency Ordinance for the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin.

Attachment 2A - Proposed Urgency Ordinance Basin Wide

Attachment 2B - Proposed Urgency Ordinance Area of Concern

Attachment 2C - Estimate of Groundwater Demand and Savings

Attachment 2D - Conservation Urgency Ordinance Ideas

Attachment 2E - LA County Water Wasting Ordinance

Attachment 2F - Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Model Water Conservation

Ordinance

Attachment 2G – Stakeholder Comments